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## "Vandalism"

OC OC

The Stellar Assembly summit had been called in at short notice to address a dire issue. Apparently the Terran Confederacy had committed an atrocity during their ongoing war with the Karthreen Theocracy

"The Karthreen Theocracy demands that the Terran Confederacy be sanctioned for the atrocity they have committed against our people" said the Karthreen diplomat, as he activated the display.

On the holo display at the center of the chamber, showed a Karthreen Holy World. As the assembly watched the recording, a Terran Battlefleet jumped into the system. As the raid commenced, several destroyers slipped past the orbital defenses and began bombarding military targets on the surface.

The battle played out quickly over the next few minutes, with the Terrans completely overwhelming the Karthreen. Once all system defenses and orbital infrastructure were destroyed, the main battlegroup began to jump out, and eventually, the only ships left was the destroyer group. As they finished their bombardments of military targets, the destroyer group made a pass over the primary Temple-City.

It began firing particle lances around the city, but after a moment, it was clear they were avoiding civilian targets. At first, it was unclear what the point of this bombardment was.

Then the representatives from the various species noticed the Terran delegation was laughing, and the representatives of their closest neighbors were all displaying their equivalents of snickering or rolling their eyes. After inquiries were made to the Terran Confederacy's neighbors, it was discovered what exactly the shape was.

The destroyer group had used their particle beams to meticulously draw Terran male genitalia around the capital city, big enough to be visible from orbit.

After much discussion, the Stellar Assembly dismissed the charges.

"Planetary Vandalism" was not covered by any interstellar treaty or the laws of space warfare, and therefore not a crime against sentience.